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AMENDMENT

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§ 1.17(a)(1) to deposit account number 50-1230 in the name of
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AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin at page 17 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 19 of this paper.

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**FEE TRANSMITTAL
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**110.00****Complete if Known**

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Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
1005 180	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent	-20** =	X	
Multiple Dependent	-3** =	X	

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 66	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 200	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 66	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1051 130	2051 65		Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 60	2052 26		Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	1053 130		Non-English specification	
1812 2,520	1812 2,520		For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804 920*	1804 920*		Requesting publication of SR prior to Examiner action	
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*		Requesting publication of SR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55		Extension for reply within first month	110.00
1252 420	2252 210		Extension for reply within second month	
1253 950	2253 475		Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,480	2254 740		Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255 2,010	2255 1,005		Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 330	2401 165		Notice of Appeal	
1402 330	2402 165		Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 280	2403 140		Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510		Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55		Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665		Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,330	2501 665		Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 480	2502 240		Design issue fee	
1503 640	2503 320		Plant issue fee	
1480 130	1480 130		Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 60	1807 60		Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1808 180	1808 180		Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021 40	8021 40		Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809 770	2809 385		Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810 770	2810 385		For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 770	2801 385		Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 900	1802 900		Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)**110.00****SUBMITTED BY**Name (Print/Type) **HAY, Martin Alexander**Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) **39,459**

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